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**Subject:** Pawnee Nation Resolution on Fracking and UIC



Randy,

Attached is a Pawnee Nation Resolution concerning fracking within its jurisdiction. I have a couple questions.

- Does EPA have a policy on UIC permitting and/or operations concerning the Earthquakes in/around the Cushing area, or in areas of increased seismic activities?
- Does EPA work with BLM/BIA on these mineral lease assignments and/or agreements? Waste water disposal is becoming a larger factor with the increased UIC activities.

I'm not sure who with EPA I should consult with on this matter. Thought you might be able to direct me to the proper contact. I know the Oklahoma Corp. Com. has taken steps to reduce injection rates in certain areas of increased seismic activity. The Pawnee Nation has not heard anything from USEPA on their position or practices concerning this issue.

As always, Thanks for any assistance.

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